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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowability (Paper No. 0903) requiring new formal drawings, enclosed herewith are 10 sheets of formal drawings, including Figures 1-7, for the subject application.

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